

- (b) said first end cap includes an inner, annular sealing portion comprising a molded, polymeric material; and
- (c) the air cleaner further includes a radial seal between said inlet construction and said first end cap inner, annular sealing portion.

32. An air cleaner according to claim 31 wherein:

- (a) said first end cap comprises a compressible polyurethane foamed material.

33. An air cleaner according to claim 28 wherein:

- (a) said housing includes a base having a pan including a central drainage hole; and
- (b) wherein the air cleaner further includes an evacuation valve mounted in said central drainage hole of said pan.

REMARKS

This application is a Rule 53(b) continuation of application Serial No. 09/198,846.
Claims 15-33 are pending.

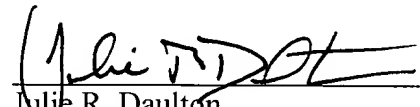
Applicants request examination and a Notice of Allowance.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

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